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CENTRAL COMMAND

SAFESTAT REPORT



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Overview

There were 82 crashes in February 2009. This is a 20.4% decrease from January's 103 crashes. The command has experienced a decrease in crashes for two consecutive months. There were two fatal crashes during February resulting in a total of four people deceased. There were two crashes involving impaired drivers, which is two less than during January. Of the 82 crashes, 16, or 19.5% involved commercial motor vehicles. Commercial drivers were found to be at fault in ten, or 62.5%, of those crashes. Ten of the commercial vehicle crashes occurred on Interstate 80.

Total enforcement activity decreased by 4.4% compared to January 2009 but increased 23.3% from February 2008. Speed violations decreased 171 citations, or 14.6% from January. Hazardous moving violations increased by 34 citations, or 24.6% from the prior month. Occupant restraint violations decreased 9 citations, or 3.4% compared to January. There were 36 arrests of impaired drivers prior to a crash during February. This is an increase of 1 compared to January and it is an increase of 18, or 100% over February 2008.

Commercial vehicle inspections increased by 7.4%, or 39 inspections over January. As such, enforcement activity increased 14.4% over January. There were 94 more safety violations written in February than in January. There was a 12% increase in cited safety violations from January. There were 40 vehicles and 16 drivers placed, "out of service" in February. Vehicles placed out of service increased 48.1% from January, but there was a decrease of 23.8% in the number of drivers placed out of service compared to January. Traffic personnel conducted 296 inspections during February. This is an increase of 3% compared to January and an increase of 11.7% or 31 inspections compared to the prior year.

Front office personnel showed a decrease of 32% from January in accident reports processed. There was a slight increase of 1% in the arrest reports processed compared to January. Arrest reports and incident reports processed increased as much as 66% during February compared to January and the prior year. The Communications Center experienced a 7% decrease compared to January, but a 14% increase compared to the prior year's radio transmissions. CAD incidents and telephone calls decreased compared to the prior month and year.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	February-09		January-09	% Change		February-08	% Change
Total Crashes	82		103	-20.4%		77	6.5%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	63		76	-17.1%		61	3.3%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	17		24	-29.2%		15	13.3%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	2		3	-33.3%		1	100.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	2		4	-50.0%		6	-66.7%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	4		4	0.0%		1	300.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0		3	-300.0%		0	0.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	2		1	100.0%		0	200.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	1		0	100.0%		1	0.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	1		0	100.0%		0	100.0%
Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	16		15	6.7%		18	-11.1%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	13		11	18.2%		16	-18.8%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	3		3	0.0%		1	200.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0		1	-100.0%		1	-100.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 2.4%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 2.4%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 50.0%

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes 19.5%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- Crashes were down by 21 from January for a 20.4% decrease. There were 5 more crashes than the previous year for a 6.5% increase.
- There were two DUI crashes for February which reflects a 50% change from the previous month's four crashes. This is a decrease of four from the previous year's six DUI crashes. The BAC. results for all of February's DUI driver's are pending.
- There were two fatal crashes in February, which is a decrease of 1 or 33% from the previous month, but is an increase of one or 100% over the previous year's single fatal crash.

There were 16 accidents involving commercial vehicles during February. This is an increase of one crash or 6.7% from January, but it is a decrease of 11%, or two crashes compared to the previous year's total. The 16 accidents accounted for 19.5% of the total crashes in the Command. Of the 16 crashes, 10, or 62.5% were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver. There were three crashes involving a commercial vehicle in which a passenger vehicle driver was found to be at fault. Ten of the commercial vehicle crashes occurred on Interstate 80. The remaining six occurred on secondary roadways.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

	February-09		January-09	% Change		February-08	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	2		4	-50.0%		6	-66.7%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	36		35	2.9%		18	100.0%
Other Arrests	125		140	-10.7%		112	11.6%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	130		81	60.5%		54	140.7%
Speed violations	1002		1173	-14.6%		1075	-6.8%
Hazardous moving violations	172		138	24.6%		136	26.5%
Occupant restraint violations *	256		265	-3.4%		156	64.1%
Total violations [above violations included]	2564		2683	-4.4%		2082	23.2%
Commercial Enforcement							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	31		42	-26.2%		9	244.4%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	50		32	56.3%		20	150.0%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	566		527	7.4%		432	31.0%
Terminal inspections [level 5]	7		0	700.0%		0	700.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	93		83	12.0%		79	17.7%
Total safety violations -- repair order	748		654	14.4%		558	34.1%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	40		27	48.1%		33	21.2%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	16		21	-23.8%		16	0.0%
Total school buses inspected	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total trucks weighed	701		203	245.3%		62	1030.6%
Total overweight citations	7		3	133.3%		7	0.0%
Total dyed fuel inspections	517		504	2.6%		410	26.1%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

- Total violations decreased 119 violations or 4.4% from January, but increased 482 violations or 23% compared to February 2008.
- Speed enforcement was down from January by 171 violations for a 14.6% decrease. Hazardous moving violations increased by 34 or 24.6% compared to January. Occupant restraint violations saw a slight decrease of 9, or 3.4% from January.
- There were 36 DUI arrests prior to crashes for a 2.9% increase over January. This was a 100% increase over the same month last year. The average reported BAC for impaired drivers for February was .149%.

- Commercial vehicle inspections increased by 39 safety inspections or 7.4% compared to January's totals. Inspections dramatically increased by 134, or 31% compared to the previous year. Total violations were up as well by 94, or 14.4% compared to January and 190, or 34% compared to the previous year. There was a 12% increase, or 10 violations in cited safety violations compared to January. There were 16 drivers and 40 vehicles placed out of service. There was a 23.8% decrease in the number of drivers placed out of service compared to December and no change compared to February 2008. Vehicles placed out of service increased 48%, or by 13 compared to January and seven, or 21% compared to February 2008. There was a grand increase of 502, or 245% in the number of trucks weighed compared to January and 1030%, or 639 compared to February last year. During February, Central Command Commercial troopers produced 81 cited traffic violations or traffic related arrests in addition to their commercial inspections.
- There were 701 trucks weighed by commercial enforcement in February. Of those trucks weighed, 164 were weighed on secondary roadways during 204 hours of intense, directed enforcement. This is an average of one truck being weighed every 1.2 hours while on high intensity, directed enforcement.
- AA II Suzana Ayala certified 435 commercial vehicle inspections and entered 284 hand written commercial vehicle inspections during February. Additionally, she entered 44 commercial vehicle accidents in SafetyNet. All of AA II Ayala's activity produced during February is higher than her counter parts within the state.

		Commercial Activity <i>[TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]</i>						
		Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
		#	#	#	#	#	#	#
February-09		296	96	245	18	10	253	0
January-08		287	93	236	13	3	241	0
% Change		3.1%	3.2%	3.8%	38.5%	233.3%	5.0%	0.0%

February-09	296	96	245	18	10	253	0
February-08	265	106	308	14	7	212	0
% Change	11.7%	-9.4%	-20.5%	28.6%	42.9%	19.3%	0.0%

- Traffic operations personnel conducted 296 level 2/3 inspections during February in addition to their "normal" traffic duties. This was an increase of 3% compared to January and 11.7% compared to last year. To go along with the increase in inspections, there was an increase of 3.8% in repair orders. There was a decrease in repair orders of 20.5% compared to the previous year even though there were more inspections produced in February 2009. Ninety-six (96) citations were issued for safety violations. This is slight increase over January and 10 less than the previous year. Two hundred-forty-five (245) repair orders were issued during the inspections

with ten vehicles and 18 drivers being placed out of service. Vehicles placed out of service increased by seven, or 233% compared to January and three or 43% compared to the prior year. Drivers placed out of service increased from the prior year and January's totals as much as 38%.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	February-09		January-09	% Change		February-08	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions	63,176		68,018	-7.12%		55,332	14.2%
CAD incidents	5,572		6,072	-8.23%		7,166	-15.3%
Telephone Calls	6,972		7,642	-8.77%%		8,618	-11.3%
Call Box Incidents	0		0	0.0%		74	-7400.0%
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	83		122	-32.0%		112	-25.9%
Arrest Reports Processed	60		59	1.7%		60	0.0%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	10		6	66.7%		9	11.1%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	193		327	-41.0%		152	27.0%
Warrants Entered	214		314	-31.8%		185	15.7%
Warrants Cleared	146		300	-51.3%		135	8.1%
Warrants Validated	1090		884	23.3%		1871	-41.7%
Extradition / Transports	7		7	0.0%		4	75.0%
EVIDENCE							
New Cases Submitted	N/A			0.0%		12	-1200.0%
New Items Submitted	N/A			0.0%		32	-3200.0%
Items Disposed	N/A			0.0%		11	-1100.0%

Contract Service overtime was 103 hours during five escorts totaling \$7,936.17.

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

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- Contract services were down in February compared to January by \$2,973.75.
- Communications Center activity decreased from the previous month and the previous year except for radio transmissions. Radio transmissions increased compared to the prior year.
- The evidence section totals for January 2009 and February 2009 are unavailable due the reorganization of the Central Command evidence vaults.
- Front Office staff processed less accident reports compared to the previous month and the previous year. The number of processed arrest remained about the same compared to the prior month and year. Incident reports increased from the previous month and the previous year.

- The Court/Warrant Unit work experienced large decreases in every category compared to January except for warrant validations, where there was an increase. The Unit experienced large increases in every category except for warrant validations compared to the previous year. There was a decrease in warrant validations compared to the prior year.

PERSONNEL

Six of seven Central Command troopers have completed their field training. These Troopers are, Dennis Fowler, Adam Zehr, Wylie Lund, Tappan Commesser, Ben Jenkins and John Boykin. Trooper Araynos is scheduled to complete his training on March 7th. All the troopers have performed well and we congratulate them on their successfully completing the Public Safety Training Officer Program. PSD I Tonya Stone begins her career with the Division on March 9th. There is currently a PSD IV opening in dispatch, an AA III position in warrants and a AA 2 position in the front office. The Command is actively pursuing qualified candidates for these open positions.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

During the month of February, Trooper Stewart completed several safe driving presentations for employees of Barrick Gold. Additionally, Trooper Stewart conducted driver safety training for employees at Ram Enterprise.

AIR OPERATIONS

The Central Command Aircraft flew 13.9 hours, completing 6 missions during February. There were less hours flown and nine less missions compared to January. Only two speed enforcement missions were flown for February. During the two speed enforcement missions, the aircraft produced the below listed activity:

Type of Violation	Enforcement Actions
Speed	17
Hazardous	1
Non-Hazardous	4
Seat belt	0
Arrests	0

The remaining missions consisted of one line patrol mission for one-half an hour of flight time and two prisoner transports. No motorists were assisted during any air missions. Compared to January, flight time was down 64%, enforcement activity was down 73% and no motorists were assisted. When compared to February 2008, flight time is down 63%, enforcement activity is down 73% and motorists assisted were down 90%.